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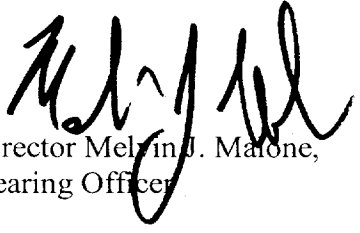
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IN RE: BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S ENTRY INTO LONG
DISTANCE (INTERLATA) SERVICE IN TENNESSEE PURSUANT TO
SECTION 271 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

Docket No. 97-00309

Any party in the above-styled matter desiring to file objections or comments regarding the attached Petitions to Intervene filed by **SBC Telecom, Inc.**, on July 12, 2001, and **KMC Telecom III, Inc.**, and **KMC Telecom V, Inc.** on July 19, 2001, must file such with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority no later than **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2001**, in order to be considered by the Hearing Officer.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.


Director Melvin J. Malone,
Hearing Officer

Attachment

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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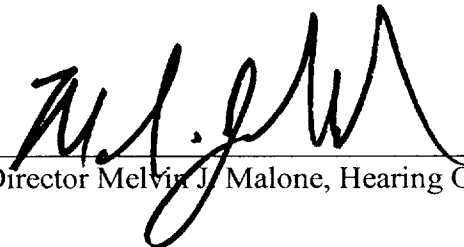
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Director Melvin J. Malone, Hearing Officer

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

IN RE: BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,)
INC.'S ENTRY INTO LONG DISTANCE)
(InterLATA) SERVICE IN TENNESSEE) Docket No. 97-00309
PURSUANT TO SECTION 271 OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

**PETITION OF SBC TELECOM, INC.
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

SBC Telecom, Inc. ("SBC Telecom"), pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 4-5-310, hereby petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") for leave to intervene in the above referenced proceeding and to participate as its interest may appear. In support of this Petition, SBC Telecom states the following:

1. SBC Telecom is a Delaware corporation authorized to transact business in the State of Tennessee, and authorized by the Authority to operate as a competing telecommunications service provider within the State of Tennessee. As a holder of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued by this Authority to provide local and interexchange telecommunications services, the legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests of SBC Telecom may be determined in this proceeding.

2. SBC Telecom anticipates that its role will be limited to monitoring the proceeding, however, it reserves the right to participate as its interest may appear.

3. The interest of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will be not impaired by the intervention of SBC Telecom.

4. This Petition to Intervene is being filed at least seven (7) days before the hearing of this cause.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays:

1. That it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party as its interest may appear and to receive copies of all notices, orders and other documents issued or filed in this docket; and that such documents be served on D. Billye Sanders and Steve Strickland at the addresses listed below.
2. That Petitioner be granted such other and further relief to which it is entitled.

Respectfully Submitted,



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DOCKET NO. 97-00309

**PETITION OF KMC TELECOM III, INC. AND
KMC TELECOM V, INC. FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

KMC Telecom III, Inc. and KMC Telecom V, Inc., pursuant to T.C.A. §4-5-310, petition the Tennessee Regulatory Authority to grant them leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and to participate as their interests may appear, and for grounds state that:

1. KMC Telecom III, Inc. (KMC III) and KMC Telecom V, Inc. ("KMC V") are Delaware corporations, both of which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of KMC Telecom Holdings, Inc., a publicly-held Delaware corporation. KMC III and KMC V are duly qualified to do business in Tennessee and hold certificates of public convenience and necessity authorizing them to provide interLATA, interexchange telecommunications services and to operate as Competing Telecommunications Service Providers in intrastate commerce in the State of Tennessee.
2. The legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests of KMC III and KMC V will be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding.
3. The participation of KMC III and KMC V will not impair the interest of justice or the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceeding.

4. KMC III and KMC V seek to intervene and participate as their interests may appear.

Premises considered, the Petitioners pray that:

1. An order be entered allowing KMC III and KMC V to intervene and participate in this proceeding as their interests may appear and to receive copies of any notices, orders, or other documents that are filed herein; and

2. The Petitioners have such other, further, and general relief as the justice of its cause may entitle them to receive.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

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